

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DATA SET LEVEL MIRRORING TO ACCOMPLISH A VOLUME MERGE/MIGRATE IN A DIGITAL DATA STORAGE SYSTEM**, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s) or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

NONE

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NONE

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NONE

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